

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

#### **LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. (original) A natural gradient Blind Multi User Detection (BMUD) network system that adaptively estimates a set of matrices to counter a linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$ , the system comprising:

an input receptive of at least one of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  or a whitened version  $r_n^w$  of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$ ;

parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  ( $k=1,2,\dots K$ ) adaptable to estimate independent user symbols  $y_n$  at an  $n^{th}$  instant based on at least one of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  or the whitened version  $r_n^w$  of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$ ; and

a decision stage interpreting  $y_n$  and estimating corresponding user symbol estimates  $\hat{b}_n$  also at the  $n^{th}$  instant.

2. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is networked in a feedforward configuration.

3. (original) The system of claim 2, further comprising a recovery stage adapted to compute  $y_n$  according to:

$$y_n = W_0 r_n^w + \sum_{k=1}^K W_k r_{n-k}^w ,$$

where  $K$  is an estimate of a number of a previous symbols needed for computation of  $y_n$ , with  $K$  being greater than or equal to  $J := \text{integer}(\max(\text{Tau}_L)) + 1$ .

4. (original) The system of claim 2, wherein the parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  have update laws according to:

$$\Delta W_0 \propto (I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H) W_0; \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta W_k \propto (I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H) W_k - \varphi(y_n) (r_{n-k}^W)^H,$$

where  $\varphi(\cdot)$  is an element-wise acting score function,  $I$  is a  $K - d$  identity matrix, and  $k=1,2,\dots,K$ .

5. (original) The system of claim 2, wherein  $W_0$  is initially chosen to be at least one of an identity or a diagonally dominant matrix, while all other matrices  $W_k$  are initialized to have at least one of random elements with a very small variance or as matrices of all zeros.

6. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is networked in a feedback configuration.

7. (original) The system of claim 6, wherein the recovery stage is adapted to compute  $y_n$  according to:

$$y_n = W_0^{-1} \left( r_n^w - \sum_{k=1}^K W_k y_{n-k} \right).$$

8. (original) The system of claim 6, wherein the parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  have update laws according to:

$$\Delta W_0 \propto -W_0 \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right); \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta W_k \propto W_0 \left( \varphi(y_n) y_{n-k}^H \right),$$

where  $\varphi(\cdot)$  is an element-wise acting score function,  $I$  is a  $K - d$  identity matrix, and  $k=1,2,\dots,K$ , with  $K$  being an estimate of a number of previous symbols needed for computation of the parametric matrices,  $K$  being greater than or equal to  $J := \text{integer}(\max(\text{Tau\_L}) + 1)$ .

9. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is networked in a feedback configuration without need for any matrix inversion.

10. (original) The system of claim 9, wherein the decision stage is adapted to compute  $y_n$  according to:

$$y_n = W_0 r_n^w - \sum_{k=1}^K W_k y_{n-k}.$$

11. (original) The system of claim 9, wherein the parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  have update laws according to:

$$\Delta W_0 \propto \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right) W_0; \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta W_k \propto \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right) W_k + \varphi(y_n) y_{n-k}^H,$$

where  $\varphi(\cdot)$  is an element-wise acting score function, and  $I$  is a  $K - d$  identity matrix.

12. (original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a whitening filter preprocessing received data for dimension reduction to  $K$ , which is an actual number of principal independent symbol sequences in the received data, and to remove second order dependence among received data samples and additive noise.

13. (original) The system of claim 12, wherein the whitening filter whitens data online using adaptive principle component analysis computational techniques.

14. (original) The system of claim 13, wherein the whitening filter whitens data using an algebraic PCA estimate over a large batch of received data including N samples according to:

$$R = [r_1 \ r_2 \ \cdots \ r_{N-1} \ r_N]$$

with a data correlation matrix

$$\Lambda_c = \frac{1}{N-1} RR^T.$$

15. (original) The system of claim 14, wherein the filter achieves the whitening using a filtering matrix according to:

$$W = D^{-1/2}V^T,$$

where  $D$  represents a  $K$ -dim matrix of principle eigenvalues of the data correlation matrix  $\Lambda_c$ , and  $V$  represents a  $K \times N$  matrix of principle eigen vectors of the data correlation matrix  $\Lambda_c$ , with  $K$  representing a number of users.

16. (original) The system of claim 12, wherein the filter is adapted to calculate the whitened version  $r_n^w$  of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  according to:

$$r_n^w = W(H_0 b_n + H_1 b_{n-1} + n_n) \cong \bar{H}_0 b_n + \bar{H}_1 b_{n-1},$$

and the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  is represented according to:

$$r_n = H_0 b_n + H_1 b_{n-1} + n_n$$

where  $b_n$  and  $b_{n-1}$  are the  $K-d$  vectors of current and previous symbols for all the  $K$  users,  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  are  $K \times K$  mixing matrices with the structure

$$H_0 = [H_{0,0} \ H_{0,1} \ \cdots \ H_{0,K}], H_1 = [H_{1,0} \ H_{1,1} \ \cdots \ H_{1,K}] \text{ such that } H_{0,k} = \sqrt{\varepsilon_0} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} h_l \bar{z}_{kl},$$

$H_{1,k} = \sqrt{\varepsilon_1} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} h_l \bar{z}_{kl}$ , and  $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1$  represent the energy of the current and the previous symbol respectively.

17. (original) An adaptive detector utilizing knowledge utilized by a RAKE receiver, comprising:

an adaptive weighting matrix introduced into a RAKE structure, wherein the matrix is adaptively estimated using at least one of Principal Component Analysis (PCA) computational techniques and static Blind Source Recovery (BSR) computational techniques.

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24. (original) A natural gradient Blind Multi User Detection (BMUD) method that adaptively estimates a set of matrices to counter a linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$ , comprising:

receiving at least one of the outputs of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  or a whitened version  $r_n^w$  of the outputs of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$ ;

adapting parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  to estimate independent user symbols  $y_n$  at an  $n^{th}$  instant based on at least one of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  and the whitened version  $r_n^w$  of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$ ; and

interpreting  $y_n$  and estimating corresponding user symbol estimates  $\hat{b}_n$  also at the  $n^{th}$  instant.

25. (original) The method of claim 24, further comprising employing a feedforward network configuration.

26. (original) The method of claim 25, further comprising computing  $y_n$  according to:

$$y_n = W_0 r_n^w + \sum_{k=1}^K W_k r_{n-k}^w .$$

27. (original) The method of claim 25, further comprising updating the parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  via update laws according to:

$$\Delta W_0 \propto \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right) W_0 ; \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta W_k \propto \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right) W_k - \varphi(y_n) \left( r_{n-k}^w \right)^H ,$$

where  $\varphi(\cdot)$  is an element-wise acting score function, and  $I$  is a  $K - d$  identity matrix.

28. (original) The method of claim 25, further comprising:  
 initializing  $W_0$  to be at least one of an identity or a diagonally dominant matrix; and  
 initializing all other matrices  $W_k$  to have at least one of random elements with a very small variance or as matrices of all zeros.

29. (original) The method of claim 24, further comprising employing a feedback network configuration.

30. (original) The method of claim 29, further comprising computing  $y_n$  according to:

$$y_n = W_0^{-1} \left( r_n^w - \sum_{k=1}^K W_k y_{n-k} \right).$$

31. (original) The method of claim 29, updating the parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  via update laws according to:

$$\Delta W_0 \propto -W_0 \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right); \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta W_k \propto W_0 \left( \varphi(y_n) y_{n-k}^H \right),$$

where  $\varphi(\cdot)$  is an element-wise acting score function, and  $I$  is a  $K - d$  identity matrix.

32. (original) The method of claim 24, further comprising employing a feedback network configuration without need for any matrix inversion.

33. (original) The method of claim 32, further comprising computing  $y_n$  according to:

$$y_n = W_0 r_n^w - \sum_{k=1}^K W_k y_{n-k}.$$

34. (original) The method of claim 32, further comprising updating the parametric matrices  $W_0$  and  $W_k$  via update laws according to:

$$\Delta W_0 \propto \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right) W_0; \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta W_k \propto \left( I - \varphi(y_n) y_n^H \right) W_k + \varphi(y_n) y_{n-k}^H,$$

where  $\phi(\cdot)$  is an element-wise acting score function, and  $I$  is a  $K - d$  identity matrix.

35. (original) The method of claim 24, further comprising preprocessing received data for dimension reduction to  $K$ , which is an actual number of principal independent symbol sequences in the received data, and to remove second order dependence among received data samples and additive noise.

36. (original) The method of claim 35, further comprising whitening data online using adaptive principle component analysis computational techniques.

37. (original) The method of claim 36, further comprising whitening data using an algebraic PCA estimate over a large batch of received data including  $N$  samples according to:

$$R = [r_1 \ r_2 \ \cdots \ r_{N-1} \ r_N]$$

with a data correlation matrix

$$\Lambda_c = \frac{1}{N-1} R R^T.$$

38. (original) The method of claim 36, further comprising employing a filtering matrix according to:

$$W = D^{-1/2} V^T$$

where  $D$  represents a  $K$ -dim matrix of principle eigenvalues of the data correlation matrix  $\Lambda_c$ , and  $V$  represents a  $K \times M$  matrix of principle eigen vectors of the data correlation matrix  $\Lambda_c$ .

39. (original) The method of claim 35, further comprising calculating the whitened version  $r_n^w$  of the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  according to:



$$r_n^w = W(H_0 b_n + H_1 b_{n-1} + n_n) \cong \bar{H}_0 b_n + \bar{H}_1 b_{n-1},$$

wherein the linear convolutive environment model  $r_n$  is represented according to:

$$r_n = H_0 b_n + H_1 b_{n-1} + n_n$$

where  $b_n$  and  $b_{n-1}$  are the  $K-d$  vectors of current and previous symbol for all the  $K$  users,  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  are  $G \times K$  mixing matrices with the structure

$$H_0 = [H_{0,0} \ H_{0,1} \ \cdots \ H_{0,K}], H_1 = [H_{1,0} \ H_{1,1} \ \cdots \ H_{1,K}] \text{ such that } H_{0,k} = \sqrt{\varepsilon_0} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} h_l \bar{z}_{kl},$$

$H_{1,k} = \sqrt{\varepsilon_1} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} h_l \underline{z}_{kl}$ , and  $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1$  represent the energy of the current and the previous symbol respectively.

40. (original) An adaptive detection method, comprising:

introducing an adaptive weighting matrix into a RAKE structure, wherein the matrix is adaptively estimated using at least one of Principal Component Analysis (PCA) computational techniques or static Blind Source Recovery (BSR) computational techniques based on Independent Component Analysis (ICA).

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